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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:

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Title:

NANOCOMPOSITES WITH ACTIVATED INTERFACES

PREPARED BY MECHANICAL GRINDING OF MAGNESIUM

HYDRIDES AND USE FOR HYDROGEN STORAGE

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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

Mail Stop RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. This RCE and the enclosed items listed below are being filed prior to the earliest of: (1) payment of the issue fee (unless a petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.313 is granted); (2) abandonment of the application; or (3) the filing of a notice of appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit under 35 U.S.C. §141, or the commencement of a civil action under 35 U.S.C. §145 or §146 (unless the appeal or civil action is terminated).

- 1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114: (check items that apply)
 - a. Enclosed are:

[X] Amendment/Reply.

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AMENDMENT AND REPLY UNDER 37 CFR 1.114

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Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Final Office Action dated April 13, 2004, concerning the above-referenced patent application.

Applicants have enclosed with this amendment a Petition for Extension of Time to make this response timely.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this document.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this document.

Please amend the application as follows: